

Substitute Bill No. 5289

February Session, 2010

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER AND THE DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 19a-404 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 The Chief Medical Examiner shall be a citizen of the United States
- 4 and a doctor of medicine licensed to practice medicine in Connecticut
- 5 and shall have had a minimum of four years postgraduate training in
- 6 pathology and such additional subsequent experience in forensic
- 7 pathology as the commission may determine, provided any person
- 8 otherwise qualified who is not licensed to so practice may be
- 9 appointed Chief Medical Examiner, provided he or she obtains [shall
- obtain] such a license within one year of his or her appointment. [His]
- 11 <u>The Commission on Medicolegal Investigations shall submit</u>
- 12 recommendations concerning the Chief Medical Examiner's salary and
- 13 annual increments to such salary to the Commissioner of
- 14 Administrative Services for review and approval pursuant to section 4-
- 15 <u>40. The Chief Medical Examiner's</u> term of office [and annual salary]
- shall be fixed by the commission and [he] the Chief Medical Examiner
- 17 may be removed by the commission only for cause. Under the
- 18 direction of the commission, [he] the Chief Medical Examiner shall
- 19 prepare for transmission to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and

- Management as required by law estimates of expenditure requirements. [He] <u>The Chief Medical Examiner</u> shall account to the State Treasurer for all fees and moneys received and expended by him <u>or her</u> by virtue of his <u>or her</u> office. [He] <u>The Chief Medical Examiner</u> may as part of his <u>or her</u> duties teach medical and law school classes, conduct special classes for police investigators and engage in other activities related to the work of [his] <u>the</u> office to such extent and on
- Sec. 2. Section 19a-405 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

such terms as may be authorized by the commission.

30 The Chief Medical Examiner, with the approval of the [commission] 31 Commission on Medicolegal Investigations, shall appoint a deputy 32 who shall perform all the duties of the Chief Medical Examiner in case 33 of his <u>or her</u> sickness or absence and such associate medical examiners, 34 assistant medical examiners, pathologists, toxicologists, laboratory 35 technicians and other professional staff as the commission may specify. 36 The commission in advance of appointments shall specify the 37 qualifications required for each position in terms of education, 38 experience and other relevant considerations. The commission shall 39 If ix the annual salary of the Deputy Chief Medical Examiner and shall 40 submit recommendations concerning submit recommendations 41 concerning (1) the Deputy Chief Medical Examiner's salary and annual 42 increments to such salary, and (2) the salaries and compensation of 43 other professional staff to the Commissioner of Administrative 44 Services for review and approval pursuant to section 4-40. The Chief 45 Medical Examiner, the Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, associate 46 medical examiners, and assistant medical examiners shall take the oath 47 provided by law for public officers. Other staff members as 48 determined by the commission shall be appointed by the Chief 49 Medical Examiner, subject to the provisions of chapter 67 and the rules 50 of the commission not inconsistent therewith.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sections.		
Section 1	from passage	19a-404
Sec. 2	from passage	19a-405

PH Joint Favorable Subst. C/R

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